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In re Application of
Thompson, Santhanam, Ju, and Bala
Application No. 09/814,511
Filed: March 22, 2001
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ORDERED
PREDICATE PHI IN STATIC SINGLE
ASSIGNMENT FORM

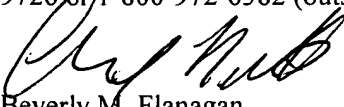
LETTER

Dear Mr. Ju:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a joint inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Kenya A. McLaughlin at (703) 305-0010. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).


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DECISION ACCORDING
STATUS UNDER
RULE 47(a)

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed September 12, 2001.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

A "Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application" ("Notice") was mailed to petitioner on April 30, 2001, indicating that petitioner did not file a proper oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. The Notice also advised that the filing fees in the amount of \$710.00 had not been remitted. The Notice set forth an extendable period of reply of two months from its mailing date. Petitioner filed a response to the Notice on June 5, 2001, consisting of an appropriate petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) and supplementary evidentiary documents. The petition was dismissed by a petition mailed June 19, 2001. The decision of June 19, 2001, indicated that petitioner did not provide sufficient proof that diligent efforts were made to locate the non-signing inventor. In response, petitioner filed the instant renewed petition on September 12, 2001.

By the instant renewed petition and accompanying evidentiary documents, petitioner has provided sufficient proof that diligent efforts were made to locate the non-signing inventor so as to present the non-signing inventor with a complete copy of the application papers. Because petitioner's inability to locate the non-signing inventor after diligent efforts has been established, this application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The Change of Correspondence Address, filed September 12, 2001, is noted and made of record.

This application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Kenya A. McLaughlin, Petitions Attorney, at (703) 305-0010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beverly M. Flanagan', is positioned above the typed name.

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